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SUBJECT: CARRILLO AND OTHER COMMUNIST LEADERS RELEASED ON BAIL

REF: MADRID 9730

- 1. PCE SECGEN SANTIAGO CARRILLO, AND THE SEVEN PCE LEADERS ARRESTED WITH HIM, WERE RELEASED TODAY ON BAIL. (CARRILLO WAS WORTH A BIT OVER \$4,000.)
- 2. THE ACTION IS CLEARLY AIMED AT DEMYTHIFICATION OF CARRILLO, AND, IF THAT PROCESS PROCEEDS, IT COULD CONCEIVEABLY LEAD TO THE LEGALIZATION OF THE PCE IF THE MILITARY WERE TO SOFTEN (WHICH REMAINS A MAJOR QUESTION). AT THE SAME TIME, SOME OTHER VARIABLE REMAIN IN PLAY, INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY OF A REAL OR CONFIDENTIAL

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FAKE ATTEMPT AT VIOLENCE AGAINST HIM, THE AMOUNT AND SCOPE
OF POLITICAL ACTIVITY CARRILLO ET AL WILL BE PERMITTED WITH CHARGES
STILL PENDING AGAINST THEM, AND THE LENGTHS TO WHICH CARRILLO
MAY GO IN ORDER TO KEEP THE PRESSURE ON THE GOVERNMENT.
PRESUMABLY, THE GOS WILL WANT THE CASE TO DRAG ON IN THE
COURTS, WHILE THE PCE WILL CALL FOR A SPEEDY DECISION.

CARRILLO WILL HAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE AT 7:00 P.M. AND WILL DOUBTLESSSEEK TO BE WITH THE PRESS 24 HOURS A DAY UNTIL THEY TIRE OF HIM. WE GATHER HE HAS HELD OUT THE BAIT OF LABOR PEACE, SHOULD THE PCE BE LEGALIZED.STABLER

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